

South Fairmount Community Council Monthly Public Meeting

Tuesday, June 10, 2025

Meeting Minutes

Dunham Recreational Center, 7 pm to 8 pm.

Attendance: 7 in person and 3 online.

Pledge of Allegiance

Jim Casey reports on Last month: fire department talked about space heater safety. Asked officer about crash data. Talked about car shop on Tremont and pine street that is in the street. Prepared for Earthday May 15

Engine 21 update: Lieutenant Lehman-

1. Cincinnati fire department trying new things to service the community more efficiently: Chase cars= officer, firefighter, paramedic team to go on lesser severity dispatch with ambulance instead of engine to decrease number of runs. Runs have increased every year for the past 10-12 years. Peak Demand Ambulances= 10 am -10 pm to cover areas of high volume during the day. Allows us to spread out the runs. Ran pilots in January and currently processing data.
2. Fire Safety: If you are in an apartment complex, grilling on the balcony is not allowed unless there is an approved sprinkler system. Don't put your grill too close to an overhang at home.
3. Summer Safety: Kids are out of school, running around in the streets- look out for rambunctious kids running and biking. Look out for kids safety swimming. Swim at the proper places, always with friends, and with an adult.

Officer Gottman: News from District 3

1. Neighborhood report: slightly more crime- uptick in burglary at the storage facility, homes, auto theft.
2. Tremont and Pine tree: one towed, two more appear, working on it
3. Illegal dumping- use Cincy 311
4. BP has a new owner who is applying for a new liquor license. Run volume at the location is consistent over the years, regardless of when the liquor license has been in act. Jim: Community Council has fought for years to remove liquor license from the BP. We consistently say we do not want a liquor license at that location and no matter what they get it.
5. Dorothy: I have a new neighbor who has a problem with someone coming while they're gone and dumping on their property. Officer: 311 Cincy
6. Officer Gottman desk line: 513-263-8345 Leave a message and I'll investigate it.
Justin.gottmann@cincinnati-oh.gov
7. Jacquie: We are renting out a house on Harrison near Tremont. There is a homeless encampment behind it. They have dogs back there. Have wheelbarrows full of excrement. (Officer reports moving encamp)

8. Heather: Police and dog warden will not walk in woods to find loose dog- citizen

Jim Moore, Dunham

1. Asking for input about what improvements we could see at Dunham
2. July 11- Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra in the Park 7 -8 pm.
3. Summer Camp is in full swing. We are full
4. Senior calendars are out
5. Pool is open 1-7 pm. Named prices for season membership and daily pass

NSP:

1. Bill presented NSP since last meeting and full amount was awarded.
2. Pass out community garden improvements recommendation
3. We now have a spigot, running water, and a hose.
4. 10 additional whisky barrel pots, 3 raised bed have been purchased.. We will put the pots in the beds to provide easy. Attended garden tour, got to see other gardens-Everywhere we're losing funding for free vegetables. This garden will give us vegetables that we can give away at market.
5. Need help! With setup, watering. Would like to have a "greenup" event to get groundwork to come out. Would like to work 1:1 with someone to work for one hour at a time. Email Bill to volunteer
6. Juneteenth volunteer work hour 9-10 am

Market

1. Bill will bring tomato plants to the market this Saturday
2. Food Map trifold distributed. Heather will send to Bill to post on the website
3. Beekman Community Market this Saturday

WIN: Mary Metsmeier

1. South Cumminsville Community Council invites you to Blues in the Park July 19, 12-4 at Wayne Field
2. June 26 (Thursday) The port will meet with the Beekman corridor coalition to update us on what's happening with Lunkenheimer, the incinerator. It a long time to get the Lunkenheimer and they have money to spend on remediation. Now is the time to show up and say as many times as they ask us what we want them to do with the building
3. Sliding Hillsides: Hillside Initiative (city wants to build new housing and is making plans to build on the hillsides). Hillside Trust seems to be working with the city to put the plans together. He is coming to WIN to educate us about hills so that we know how we can advocate for the integrity of our homes and the hills they are on as plans to build are created around us. What can we do to protect existing homes as a priority. June 30.
4. Traffic meeting- promote safe streets plan June 17

Jim Casey: Motion to adjourn at 7:59

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Jim: Board meeting will be scheduled soon. Remember that July is a holiday for the council, so there will not be a South Fairmount Community Council Meeting in July.